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Editorial

There is no resolution to the Post Box saga yet, but the Parish Council is continuing to discuss the matter with Post Office Limited. The PC is asking for the box to be moved back to outside the old Post Office building, or, better, a second box be provided in the Square. We are still hoping for a satisfactory outcome.

The rain has stopped at last and we now have – at the time of writing on the 16^{th} February - more traditional winter weather with overnight frosts. We must hope that the flora and fauna do not take too big a hit after the warm but very windy weather of the last month. It had looked as though some birds thought that spring had arrived early; hopefully they had not started nesting.

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CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

FEBRUARY AT THE PARISH COUNCIL

The movement of the Post Box remains a popular item of discussion currently. Not only with the Councillors but also amongst residents. This was a decision by Royal Mail and was not instigated by Post Office Ltd who only dealt with the movement of the Post Office. It was unexpected as far as the Council were concerned because there was no consultation or notification. Speaking to Royal Mail again a few weeks ago finally revealed the matter had been referred to Dorset County Council, Swanage Railway and the National Trust back in the summer of 2015. None of these organisations actually approved the change but did not object to the proposal. Royal Mail have said it is policy not to reverse a move after it has happened but this Council has suggested there must be rules or quidelines where they are required to inform the local community. The Council has asked them to reconsider the move and replace the pillar box in its old position or provide an additional box at the old location.

The First School has requested Dorset County Council change the Zebra Crossing outside of the school to a light controlled Puffin Crossing. The County Council are going to instigate a further vehicle and pedestrian survey and a speed survey. However, they state that even if this survey were to meet the criteria set down by Dorset County Council there is no quarantee that a Puffin Crossing would be built in the near future. They receive many requests from communities across the County, some from areas where there is no crossing at all, and each of these must be assessed against each other because of the limited funding.

The Council considers all planning applications and submits comments to the District Council. The Parish Council had no objection to proposals for the following: The replacement of the existing shop, store and reception at Burnbake Campsite, Rempstone, Corfe Castle. The erection of a greenhouse in the garden at Tabbits Hill House, Tabbits Hill Lane, Corfe Castle. The stripping and relaying of existing stone roof tiles and replacement of broken tiles with new to match the existing and the stripping off of old battens and replacement with breather membrane and new battens at 10 West Street. Corfe Castle.

Jeff Dunn, Parish Clerk

(phone 555266)(e-mail CorfeCastlePC@aol.com) - 8 Old Kiln Road, Ridge, Wareham BH20 5BY. The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall, West Street*. Have your say at the start of the meeting, speak to any parish councillor, or write to me. Full minutes of the meetings are available in Corfe Castle library or on the Website (www.corfecastlepc.org.uk). [*Sometimes elsewhere.]

The next Parish Council Meeting is on the 14th March in the Town Hall.



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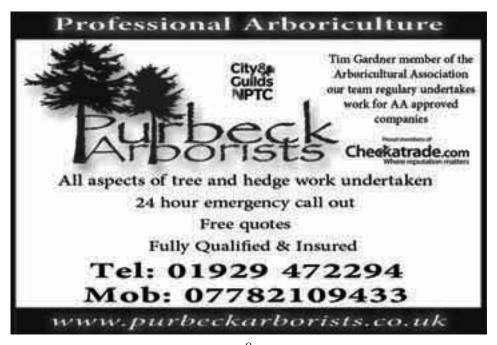
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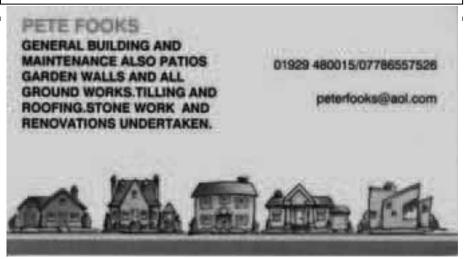
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NEWS FROM CHURCH KNOWLE PARISH COUNCIL

January's meeting was held at Church Knowle Reading Room, Cllr Tony Higgens in the Chair, seven Councillors and six parishioners in attendance.

Public discussion included continued concerns about flooding in Furzebrook Road with one Parishioner expressing serious concerns about its effect on the cob structure of his cottage. The meeting heard that DCC had investigated and had promised to carry out a "temporary fix" but, the parishioner was looking for support from the Parish Council to ensure a more permanent solution to the Furzebrook flooding problem thought to be caused by poor maintenance of road gullies and drains. Later in the meeting the Parish Council decided to support the Parishioner's concerns and decided to write to DCC to get the matter sorted out once and for all.

Parishioners (and Councillors) were extremely concerned about the possibility of removal of the weekly 'bus service to Wareham from Kimmeridge, Steeple, Church Knowle & Furzebrook because of yet more "cuts" having to be made by DCC. There were many older residents in the Parish who relied on the service so they could go and do their weekly shop, get access to 'buses to Poole and "get out more" rather than being marooned in an area where the car and "Chelsea Tractors" are in charge. A villager spoke about what services (including mobile shops and baker, local post office and village shop) were available in the 1950s and their lack nowadays; and how the weekly 'bus was a lifeline. The Parish Council decided to support the continuation of the 'bus service and would express their concerns to DCC. Luckily, our DCC Councillor was in attendance at the meeting and, no doubt, was well aware of the concerns expressed by the end of the meeting!

Further discussion in this part of the meeting included a planning application for "The Old Cottage" in Church Knowle and the overgrown "Yew" in the cemetery. Parishioners also expressed thanks that the Parish Council is still putting some stuff into CVN despite its now somewhat truncated style, because many people still don't have computers or internet access and like to have a good read about the goings-on in Church Knowle and beyond.

Now onto main business.

The East Creech salt/grit bin is in position and would be filled on 13th January so that there would be a lower risk of East Creechers slipping & sliding all over the place in the event of a freeze.

PDC has apparently decided not to take any action over the alleged unlawful development at Rachels Plantation.

The New Inn was discussed in relation to the Parish Council having it declared an Asset of Community Value and, hence, receive protection. The matter would be discussed again in February. So, locals, in the meantime please support your local pub'!

The Yew tree in the cemetery isn't, it turns out, a 1500 year old English Yew but an interloper from Cyprus. Yes, it's a dreaded <u>Cupressis leylandii.</u> So, it can be "trimmed" without special permission from PDC. Good!

Under "Planning", Members had no objection to the proposed works at The Old Cottage, Church Knowle but recommended that provision for off-road parking for two cars should be made at the eastern end of the property.

DCC Cllr Lovell reported to the meeting that "planings" from the road works on the main Wareham road would be used to repair the road leading to West Orchard Farm.

Under "Finance" it was decided that the Parish Precept for 2016-2017 would be set at £6.000; the monthly accounts were approved and invoices paid. The meeting also heard that changes in the law mean that the Parish Council is too small to require an Audit Commission external auditor but should have its own appointed. This would be discussed next month.

The meeting ended at 9.50pm and the next one will be at Furzebrook Village Hall on Tuesday, Feb 09th at 7.30pm

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"The more you know about a site the better you can manage it," he added.

"If we could have this much information about all our sites our biodiversity would be in much better hands," he said.

Meanwhile, the Trust is setting out to build partnerships with tenants and neighbouring landowners to create corridors for wildlife to move between protected sites.

Here in Purbeck we will be playing our part in creating a coastal corridor connecting wildlife communities and improving public access around the shores of the South West.

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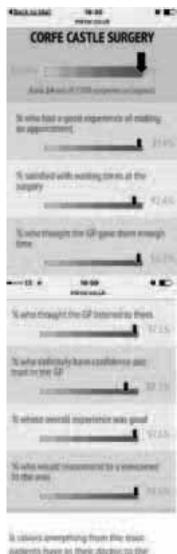
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Please take this article with a pinch of salt; the official survey results can be found at https://gp-patient.co.uk/ and the information on all Practices is available all year round and is updated at least annually.

Each and every one of us are so proud to be part of this achievement and we hope you agree that it is a great team effort from everyone.

As we get busier, so does the car park: Please remember to bring some change with you and if we are full, the carpark next door is just 50p for 30minutes.

This year, Good Friday is the 25th March and Easter Monday the 28th March: Please ensure you have enough repeat medication for the long weekend and also put in any medication requests bearing in mind these additional closures.

In January we had 41 FRIENDS AND FAMILY TEST completed by our patients and all 41 patients said they were either EXTREMELY LIKELY or LIKELY to recommend our surgery. Following recent feedback via the Friends and Family Test, we have purchased name badges for all members of staff and there is now a hand sanitizer available for patients to use in the Reception area.

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Shirley Critchley's tale of Mahem, Mutiny and Murder_was the terrible story of the doomed warship HMS Wager which set sail with Commodore Anson's squadron in 1741, heading for the southern Pacific Ocean to wage war on the Spanish. From the press-ganged sailors to the outbreak of scurvy, violent seas and mutinous crews, the full horror was described by Shirley in thrilling detail. The Wager foundered on rocks in Misery Bay, off the Chilean coast of Patagonia. In all, thirty six men returned to Britain, to fame and infamy, one of whom was midshipman Byron, later to become an admiral and grandfather to the poet. Shirley's story culminated in an epic adventure she joined, organised by John Blashford Snell in 2006, to search for the wreck of the Wager. After three arduous weeks the team found the warship in shallow water not far from the shore where it had lain for 265 years. It was a marvellous ending to an awe inspiring story; we shall look forward to hearing What Shirley Did Next and consider her suggestion that a trip to Wager Island might be perfect for our next Aquarius outing.

At our AGM on March 1st our new committee will be installed. Our thanks go to committee members who are standing down: Margery, who has been our marvellous Chair for four of her five years on the committee; Deborah, who has completed five years, latterly as treasurer, and Ruth who has been in charge of catering and welfare for two years. We are very grateful for all their hard work.

The Friends of Wareham Hospital is our chosen charity for the coming year, selected by a ballot of members at the February meeting.

Last Call for Subscriptions, still £22, which must be paid at or before the AGM on March 1st.

We are looking forward to our Coffee Morning on Saturday March 19th from 10am – 12 noon and have some wonderful volunteers to help run the stalls. Of course, if you don't feel you can help at a stall it would be wonderful if you could bake a little something or contribute goods (bric-a-brac, plants, books, toys, chocolate tombola prizes etc.) or just come along and do some shopping. There will be a garden stall so now is the perfect time to plant cuttings.

Dates for your diary:

March 1st AGM followed by fun-for-all (and no scissors needed)

March 19th Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon

April 5th The Story of the Rex Cinema – Neill Child

May 3rd Undercover Agent: My Life as a Corsetiere – Hazel Wilson

Visitors are always welcome to attend any two meetings in the year: £3.00 Susie Bond 480133 News Editor

News from the Pre-School

We have been busy trying to finish off our outside play area and are looking forward to being able to let the children play in the whole area. Donations from the Royal British legion and Swanage Carnival have made this possible and the children can't wait to play with the new mud kitchen!

The children enjoyed Pancake Day and now their thoughts and ours are turning towards Easter.

Peter and Belinda Bell are kindly hosting an Easter Egg Hunt at Scoles Manor on Good Friday. This is always a lovely event - do wear wellies if it has been wet. Entry is from 2pm and is free to all. Donations for tea and cakes are gratefully received in aid of the Pre-School.

Our 100 Club lucky winner for January was Number 25. We have a few spaces in our 100 Club and it only costs £4 a month to be a member and each month you have a chance of winning £100. For details of joining please pop into the Pre-School or telephone Karen Spooner on 481631.

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It won't take very long and we always need new committee members – particularly younger ones.

This is **your** chance to really influence what we do each year. The meeting will be followed by the video of one of our recent productions. Which will it be? Vote on the night!

Monday 7th March 2016 at 7pm Corfe Castle Village Hall Everyone is welcome!



Double Act, wish to fundraise for the forthcoming improvements to the Corfe Castle Village Hall. For this, we have decided to hold another "TALENT CONTEST" This will take place on SATURDAY APRIL 30th.and is to be called

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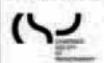
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The Club is affiliated to The Royal British Legion, whose main aim is to support our troops and to provide welfare help for ex servicemen and women and their families.

New members and their families are very welcome and there is now no requirement to have a service background. If you would like to join just call in during opening hours and speak to one of our friendly staff.

The Club has a comfortable bar area, an upstairs function room which is available for hire, pool table, large car park, garden and double boules pitch. The Club is open weekday lunchtimes and evenings and all day Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon.

We stock both cask and keg beers and lager, currently Ringwood at £2.70 and Guinness at £3.00 per pint. Filled rolls are available from the bar at £1.20 and soft drinks dispensed at reasonable prices.

On a weekly basis we hold a number of activities which are posted on the club notice board.

Royal British Legion Membership

The problems on renewing membership have now been resolved and anyone who would like to become a member or renew their membership, please speak to the Steward, Chubby Varney.





From THE VILLAGE DUMD!

Corfe Castle

Did you know?

heard?

News) page

STREETS AHEAD

In the February CVN, we found ourselves in the quiet rural lane of the village, at the Castle Inn. A far cry from today's busy A351! This month, streets ahead in time, we wander down West Street, originally named Main Street. This was the important thoroughfare connecting the town with the outlying settlements, quarries and the small fishing village of Swanage. Evidence of this, here you will find prominent features such as the Town Hall, the West Door of the Church and the Entrance to the Castle. The narrow funneling of the approach enabled dues to be collected as the traders thronged into the marketplace. Nowadays, dues are paid at the other end of the street, in the car park! But that's history! As I write, we move into a new season. The Spring equinox this month, hopefully, heralds brighter days ahead. I move on, down West Street. At the shop Seasons Green, I popped in to have a chat with Sophie Dixon, an award winning garden designer and the owner behind this new concept. She moved from North Devon to Corfe Castle in 2013, having met Mark and came to share his life here.

Have you heard?

Springing into action, I asked Please tell me more, Sophie.



Sophie Dixon at home in Corfe Castle Open all Seasons: The logo and shop reflect the stunning Purbeck area.

Sophie's Story – I had no plans to set up shop. We fell in love with the house and it came with it! Useful initially, as a studio with my displays in the window, people began ringing the doorbell, enquiring about buying. Ah! ah!..Why not create a new business to add to the village and perhaps fill a gap? Not just for tourists but also a place for locals to buy gifts, cards as well as treats for themselves! The

concept celebrates the English countryside, garden, plants and flowers. We hope that the shop reflects the stunning place in which we live. As a starting point, we sourced local businesses and gradually added crafts people along the way, who were able to offer quality, original creative work, within the theme of the shop.

There is a strong local presence.

Pop-Up Shop - thankfully Sarah Blackwell popped up and was in on things before we even had a shop. For Christmas 2014 her natural decorations bedecked our windows then her garlands/wreaths were selling from our door. Before we knew it, we had a pop-up shop! Result - May 2015 we opened our 'proper' shop. Sarah's exquisite, seasonal handmade decorations adorn the shop year round and are a vital part of our initial vision. The vision becomes clearer with the discovery of all the great talent there is in the village and around Purbeck. Unfortunately space here does not allow me to mention all these wonderful crafts folk and artists by name. However, thanks to this Village Pump chat, I appreciate the opportunity to say, thank you all - you know who you are! In our future CVN Advertisements we will be introducing them to you.

Green Fingers – Plants are available the year round and in the warmer months, we offer fresh flower posies, mostly grown in Corfe Castle.

Hands On - Courses, Talks and

Workshops are in the pipeline. Some readers may have been amongst the 31 people who enjoyed our Christmas 2015 workshops. These were hosted by '4 and 20 Blackbirds' – very conveniently just across the road. Thank you, Toby." Sophie's Dream ... Always one with questions, I asked Sophieand the name? ... Seasons Green. "I thought I read it in a poem about new beginnings, nature, growth, changing and evolving. I have a strong memory of where I was when I did so, but I have never been able to find it since in that book! It must have been a dream." Apparently not a dream that faded at daybreak! Good luck in your new enterprise Sophie – as it grows season by season.

THE BATTLE OF THE BONES

.... Digging up the past!

Relevant to this month of March, with 10th Century Corfe Castle history, is the murder of King Edward, which as we all know took place on 18th March 978.It is well recorded that his body was dumped en route to Wareham, then buried there and later at Shaftesbury Abbey. In recent past years, there was much media coverage about the discovery of the remains of King Richard III beneath a car park in Leicester. Quite often, the question arises as the whereabouts of King Edward's relics? The sort of question that might crop up in a Ouiz!

In 1534, with the Act of Dissolution

of the Monasteries, all places like Abbey, Shaftesbury were demolished. Edward's remains had been hidden so as to avoid desecration. In 1931, ten centuries on from the murder, they were discovered during an archaeological dig, on private land, in Shaftesbury. From this 20th Century discovery, the relics were subsequently kept in a bank vault. In the late 1970's, coinciding with our year long of programme events commemorating 1000 years of village history (978-1978), there was a 'ownership fight'. Following a High Court decision, the winners were declared as the Eastern Orthodox Church, In 1984 a Shrine was built at Brookwood Cemetery. Woking Surrey. Subsequently, the enshrinement ceremony took place at this newly built St. Edward The Martyr Orthodox Church, which is under the jurisdiction of a traditional Greek Orthodox community.

FLYING THE FLAG

On the 18th March, as usual, the St. Edward King and Martyr Flag will fly from Corfe Castle Church Tower. This is the day recognized as St. Edward's Day. The murder in Corfe Castle, changed the course of English history. Edward the Confessor, Founder of Westminster Abbey, is the nephew of 'Corfe Castle's Edward'. The years roll on, 1066 and all that! This year, more Royal history, of pleasurable reading, is being made and nationally, flags will fly.

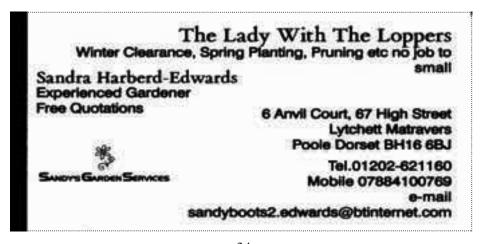
Let the Season begin:

March, and the first tourists of 2016 will begin to arrive. Thank you to the shops and businesses in East Street, West Street and in the village Square, who are all ready to welcome them.

Happy Easter to all.

With a spring in our step!

Juliet and Eileen



Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

The coffee morning in February raised £118.09 - many thanks for your support. We held two 100 club draws: for January the winner was member 18, second was member 37 and third member 11; for February the winner was member 62, second was member 27 and third went again to member 11!

To join the growing list of villagers who are supporting their local village hall in this way, please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

regular weekly events:

Monday evenings Double Act Tuesday mornings Toddlers Tuesday evenings Rainbows Tuesday evenings Brownies Tuesday evenings Badminton Wednesday mornings Wool Workshop Wednesday evenings Youth Club Thursday mornings Metafit

regular fortnightly events:

Thursday evenings Bingo

regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning 1st Sunday all day 1st Tuesday afternoon 3rd Monday morning CCVH coffee morning Antiques Fair Aquarius U3A Gardening

Corfe Castle Village Hall CIO AGM:

The Village Hall's Annual General Meeting will take place in the Hall at 6.30pm on Monday 14th March. All residents of the Parish over the age of 18 are entitled to vote to elect Charity Trustees. Anyone interested in becoming a Charity Trustee should ring David on 01929 480483 for more details.

bookings and rates:

contact Carole Speed on 01929 480810 or www.corfecastlevillagehall.co.uk special rates for locals and regular events

Black Voices:

A chance to see this renowned female a cappella quintet here on Friday March 18th 7.30.

featured new regular user:

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*NB Friday not Thursday on March 4th and May 6th only

Contact Lizzy on 07802 910225 or metafitpurbeck@hotmail.com





The Castle Inn



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News from the Castle

Spring is in the air, fingers are crossed for the Easter weather!

Great to see Viv back home looking more gorgeous than ever, I'm sure she'll soon be hitting the high notes again.

By the time of going to press we will be in our 11th year..... BIG thanks for all the support and hope everyone had a great time at the party.

Thanks also to Billy and crew for the Hogroast and catering.

On Thursday 10th March we are having a Serious Steak Night.

We have tasked our local farms and suppliers to come up with something extra special that we can showcase for them. We have been busy sampling some amazing Steaks!

Including Aberdeen Angus fillet, Devon Red Rib on the bone, Bradle farm sirloin 24 oz On the bone! We've been grilling split shin bones for marrow fat and practicing different steak accompaniments.

If you like steak you'll love this. Space limited, please book.

Dates for the Diary

Sunday. 6th March. Mothers' Day, 2 delicious course £15.95. and a surprise

for the Mums.

Thursday 10th March. Serious steak night

Thursday. 17th March. St. Patrick's evening. Real Irish Meal with soda bread.

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Friday. 25th March. Good Friday fish suppers

Sunday. 27th March. Easter Sunday, traditional roasts with Easter trail for

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CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for MARCH 2016

2	March	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Langton Arthouse Cinema "Marshland"	Langton Matravers Village Hall
3	March	Thursday	7.30 pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
3	March	Thursday	8 pm	Corfe Castle Gardening Club	Royal British Legion
5	March	Saturday	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
5	March	Saturday	6.45 for 7 pm start	Grand Corfe Castle Quiz Championship	Corfe Castle Village Hall
6	March	Sunday	10 am - 5 pm	Antique and Collectors Fair	Corfe Castle Village Hall
7	March	Monday	7 pm	Double Act AGM	Corfe Castle Village Hall
8	March	Tuesday	7 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council Meeting	Church Knowle Reading Room
8	March	Tuesday	7.30 pm	Movie Night "Love & Mercy"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
11	March	Friday	2 pm	Corfe Castle Town Trust Talk	Corfe Castle Community Library
11	March	Friday	7.30 pm	Kimmeridge Keilidh	Kimmeridge Village Hall
14	March	Monday	2.30 pm	DWT Talk "The Magic of the Tiny"	Langton Matravers Village Hall
14	March	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council Meeting	Corfe Castle Town Hall
14	March	Monday	6.30 pm	Corfe Castle Village Hall AGM	Corfe Castle Village Hall
17	March	Thursday	7.30 pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
18	March	Friday	7.30 pm	Black Voices	Corfe Castle Village Hall
19	March	Saturday	7.15 pm	"A Musical Extravaganza"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
20	March	Sunday	3 pm	Canzonetta sings music for Holy Week	St John the Baptist, Bere Regis
25	March	Friday	2 pm	Easter Egg Hunt	Scoles Manor, Kingston
26	March	Saturday	10 am − 1 pm	Easter Coffee & Cake Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
29	March	Tuesday	7.30 pm	Movie Night "West Side Story"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
31	March	Thursday	7.30 pm	Talk "New Finds in the Kimmeridge Clay"	' Methodist Church, Wareham
31	March	Thursday	7.30 pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
31	March	Thursday	7.30 pm	The Hermitage Ensemble	St James Church, Kingston

If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know. Similarly please tell us if any of the regular dates are wrong or if there is a regular event which should be included

5	April	Tuesday	2 pm	Easter Fun at the Library	Corfe Castle Community Library
6	April	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Langton Arthouse Cinema "Shaun the She	eep" Langton Mat Village Hall
2	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	Spring Barn Dance	Corfe Castle Village Hall
9	April	Saturday		St Edwards Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
12	April	Tuesday	7.30 pm	Movie Night "Spectre"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
23	April	Saturday	7 pm	Film Night "Our Country"	Church Knowle Village Hall
30	April	Saturday		Corfe's Got Talent	Corfe Castle Village Hall

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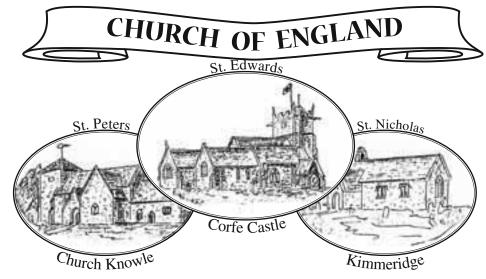
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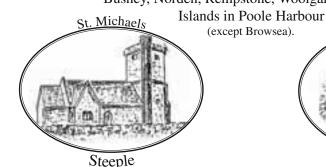
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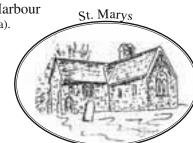
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The Benefice of the Corfe Valley on the Isle of Purbeck is within the Church of England, the DÚcese of Salisbury and the Deanery of Purbeck. The liturgy is from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and Common Worship (CW). The geographic area covered by the valley Church includes the vŠlages of:-

Corfe Castle, Church Knowle, Kimmeridge, Steeple (with Tyneham), the small communities of Bradle, Bucknowle, Bushey, Norden, Rempstone, Woolgarston and the





Tyneham



Church Sketches by kind permiss Ún of Ron Burniston

The Reverend Ian Jackson writes:

It is entirely understandable that many people conclude that life makes little sense, at all, not least when they consider all that is hard, painful and unjust. And, to believe and trust in the God we claim to be good and loving makes even less sense.

Christian faith does not – must not - ignore all that leads to such conclusions.

In March, in the church calendar, we are in the season of Lent and Passiontide: we remember the time Jesus spent in the desert, and then, as his ministry developed, how he faced increasing rejection and a cruel death.

Before the end of the month we will be celebrating Easter. This is not so much a sigh of relief that a season of grim endurance and harsh realities is over. It is a celebration that God is not overcome by such things and is always present, constantly working to transform and renew. This was, and is, the belief of Christian people.

Such faith is not automatic. However, it is not all effort and struggle. Faith, Easter faith, is God's gift to us. We glimpse such faith; we welcome God, so he is fully present in our lives. St Paul expresses this in a short but profound phrase "as sorrowful yet always rejoicing" (2 Corinthians 6 verse 10 - it is worth reading the chapter).

I came across a moving quotation recently. It is from a novel and describes a daughter visiting her father, unjustly imprisoned by a harsh regime. She describes him as he comes into the room: 'his eyes shone at her with their old clear delight... something she had not dared to hope could still be there was present in his face. His spirit was free and without fear'.

This was in a novel, but we do meet and hear of such people where such a description is true. This is Easter faith.

Ian

Services for Holy Week and Easter

These follow the pattern of recent years and details are in the March Services list.

There will be celebrations of Holy Communion during the first part of the week and this year these will be as follows:

Monday 21st March 7pm at Steeple

Tuesday 22nd March 7pm at Church Knowle

Wednesday 23rd March 4pm at Kimmeridge

These will be said services (i.e. no hymns) with a short address.

Corfe Valley Church Services – March 2016

10.30 Corfe Castle Benefice Communion

Sunday March 13th

8.00 Corfe Castle Holy Communion (BCP) 10.30 Steeple Family Communion (BCP)

10.30 Corfe Castle Matins

Sunday March 20th Palm Sunday

9.00 Church Knowle Holy Communion (BCP) 10.30 Corfe Castle Parish Communion (CW)

Thursday March 24th Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Corfe Castle Holy Communion

Friday March 25th Good Friday

10.30 Corfe Castle A service of hymns and readings We then process to the Congregational Church and continue there.

Sunday March 28th Easter Day

8.00 Church Knowle Holy Communion (BCP)
9.00 Steeple Family Communion (BCP)
10.30 Kimmeridge Parish Communion (CW)
10.30 Corfe Castle Parish Communion (CW)

Sunday April 3rd

10.30 Corfe Castle Benefice Communion

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

CW – Common Worship

The Corfe Valley Churches – Scripture Readings – March 2016

March 6th 4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

2 Corinthians 5:16 – end Luke 15: 1-3; 11B - 32

March 13th 5th Sunday of Lent

Philippians 3: 4B – 14

John 12: 1 - 8

March 20th Palm Sunday

Philippians 2: 5 - 11 Luke 19: 28 - 40 March 27th

Easter Day

Romans 6: 3 – 11 Luke 24: 1 - 12

April 3rd

2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5: 27 – 32 John 20: 19 – end

From the registers

We remember and pray for:

Those who have been baptised

7th February Scarlett Lily Cole at Corfe Castle

Those who have died

11th January Theresa Veronica Baskett

Easter Lilies and flowers

There is a well established tradition at St Edward's that at Easter donations are given for lilies to be placed in church and we remember in prayer during the Easter morning service those who have died.

Barbara Canning collects donations and the names of those remembered which are read out during the intercessions on Easter Day. So please contact Barbara about this.

I would like to stress that we are happy to pray in any case - so please give any names for the prayers to Barbara. Ian.

St. Edward, King & Martyr - Electoral Roll Revision

The annual revision of the Electoral Roll is due. Anyone who is <u>not</u> on the current Roll and who might wish to be added, should contact the Electoral Roll Officer to obtain a form. Also, if you think there may be anyone on the current Roll who has moved or passed away, please let me know, as I may not have been informed.

All forms have to be returned by **25th March**, at the latest, in order to be included in the revised Roll for 2016.

Anyone may enrol provided that they are baptised, live in the area, or are regular worshippers here and are 16 or older.

Please contact me on 480925 for a form. Philip Carter

Decorating the Church for Easter

Saturday 26th March 2016

Anybody wishing to come and help decorate the church in preparation for Easter please come and join us between 0930 -1230



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By the end of 2015, more than 2,400 Swanage Railway steam and diesel-hauled passenger trains had run a total of more than 28,000 miles which is further than travelling around the entire circumference of the Earth.

A registered charity, the Swanage Railway Trust plans and develops the Swanage Railway with the Trust's trading subsidiary – the Swanage Railway

Company – running the train service and special events across the year.

All profits from running the steam and diesel trains – as well as related commercial activity – are ploughed back into the Swanage Railway for its development and continuous improvement.

Swanage Railway Company

chairman and Swanage Railway volunteer Trevor Parsons said: "Carrying 217,080 passengers during 2015 represents a lot of hard work by the people who run the trains, staff the stations and maintain the line and infrastructure required to keep trains running – day in and day out – for the pleasure of the public.

"Our volunteers and small team of paid staff have worked very hard throughout 2015 to produce such a fantastic result. Everyone is elated.

"While very enjoyable and fulfilling, it takes a great deal of enthusiasm and commitment on the part of many people to run our steam and diesel train services throughout the year.

"I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone whose hard work has resulted in these very gratifying passenger figures for 2015. We're looking forward to an even better 2016," added Mr Parsons who is also a volunteer train guard and signalman on the Purbeck heritage line.

Swanage Railway general manager Matt Green explained: "The Swanage Railway carrying a record-breaking total of 217,080 passengers during 2015 has been a truly amazing performance bearing in mind the wet weather during the summer.

"Last year's passenger total demonstrates the appeal of travelling by steam train on one of Britain's most idyllic heritage railways through the beautiful Purbeck countryside from a castle to the coast," added Mr Green.

In 2014, the Swanage Railway carried a total of 216,267 passengers.



Many Swanage Railway passengers left their vehicles in Purbeck District Council's car park next to Norden station – off the main A351 road from Wareham – and rode on heritage steam and diesel trains to Corfe Castle, Harman's Cross, Herston and Swanage.

Matt Green said: "Having been rebuilt from nothing since 1976, after being controversially closed and demolished by British Rail in 1972, the Swanage Railway contributes some £14 million to the Purbeck economy every year.

"The Swanage Railway is far more than just a trip on a heritage train behind an historic steam locomotive – it's the best car-free way of visiting Corfe Castle, Harman's Cross and Swanage while having a really good day out.

"We are always looking for more volunteers to join in our continued success and have a great time while also helping to run a unique and friendly heritage railway set in beautiful Purbeck countryside," he added.

For an informal chat – and to find out more – potential Swanage Railway volunteers should contact Swanage Railway volunteer co-ordinator Mike Whitwam on 01929 475212 or email 'volunteer@swanagerailwaytrust.org.uk'.

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Swanage Railway train times – and special event details – are available online at www.swanagerailway.co.uk or by telephone on 01929 425800.

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Easter Eggcitement!

Easter is just around the corner and with the springtime days gradually getting longer March is a great time of year to get out and explore the rockpools and shoreline.

During the Easter break there are lots family friendly activities happening at the Marine Centre starting with our annual 'Great Kimmeridge Eggcase Hunt' on Friday 25th March at 2pm. This is an Easter egg hunt with a difference as we search the strandline for the empty eggcases of skates and rays and there will of course be chocolate egg rewards! On Wednesday 30th March, we will be exploring the amazing microscopic world of plankton, with an exhibition, quizzes and craft activities from 11am to 4pm. The following week sees the return of our popular rockpool ramble on Wednesday 6th April at 2pm and a Seashore Discovery event on Thursday 7th April at 2pm when we will be exploring the seashore to discover what animals live there. Please note that there is a small charge for these events, for full details please contact the marine centre or visit www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/events

If you aren't able to make it to one of our organised events, there's still lots to do. Visit the marine centre to see the displays and aquaria or hire a Seashore Explorer Backpack brimming with exciting activities to help you get the most out of your visit to Kimmeridge Bay. The pack contains an eco-friendly crabbing kit, a fossil rubbing kit, a seashell treasure hunt, id guides and lots more. What's even better is that you get to keep some of the items so you can repeat the activities as often as you like! The Seashore Explorer Packs cost only £7 to hire for the whole day.

From Friday 25th March, the Marine Centre will be open every day (except Mondays) from 10.30am until 5pm and also on bank holidays. For more information please call: 01929 481044 or email: kimmeridge@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk

Sarah Hodgson Volunteer Marine Warden

Dorset Wildlife Trust Isle of Purbeck Group talks for March

Monday 14th March 2.30pm Langton Matravers Village Hall **The Magic of the Tiny** – an illustrated talk by Joy Fildes with photographs by Ken Dolbear. All welcome

Thursday 31st March 7.30pm Methodist Church, North St, Wareham New finds in the Kimmeridge Clay (and AGM) – an illustrated talk by Steve Etches, who has been collecting fossils from the Kimmeridge Clay for 40 years and has a unique collection. The Etches Collection will open in Kimmeridge in the Autumn, but this will be a very special chance to see what Steve has been discovering in the last few years and preview some of the wonders that will be displayed in the museum. All welcome.



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Did you ever watch "One foot in the Grave" when it was on? And how did you react to Victor Meldrew, my favourite "Grumpy Old Man"? Just to mention his name, brings back one of his favourite expressions - "I don't believe it."

I am certainly a Man. I will leave others to judge whether 77 is Old. But, hopefully, nobody thinks of me as "Grumpy". However, I want to begin this article with his catchphrase. "I don't believe it."

Last month I wrote about "Loneliness", and asked those who were lonely to get in touch with me, but I also asked those who were willing to offer help to the lonely, also to get in touch with me. A fortnight has passed since the magazine was distributed, and nobody from Corfe Castle has got in touch with me, either to admit to being lonely, or to offer help to those who are experiencing loneliness. I have received one response from a lady who lives in Swanage, who "happened" to come in to Corfe, and "happened" to pick up a Corfe Valley News, and "happened" to read my article. I have visited her, and we spent a very enjoyable time together, and, hopefully, we will be staying in touch, and the "get togethers" will be for both of our benefits.

But, if I am to assume that there are no lonely people in Corfe Castle, and if I am being asked to believe that there is nobody in this village who is willing to help those who are lonely, then I am sorry but, "I don't believe it." May be you didn't read last month's letter, or maybe you didn't know whether to get in touch, or maybe you were too embarrassed. My phone number and my email haven't changed. The lines of communication are still open. One person has got in touch and has survived the experience. Why not be the next?

But let's stop looking back, and instead look forward. This year, March is the month that contains the whole Easter event. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. As I refer to Easter, maybe it's your turn to say, "I don't believe it." Let me tell you why I do. I first became convinced because of the behaviour of the disciples. On the Sunday morning, they are hiding behind locked doors, terrified that the same is going to happen to them, as happened to Jesus. They are facing the possibility of being crucified. The ring leader has been got rid of, now let's deal with his followers. It is not very long before that same group of men are out in the streets preaching, without any fear, that Jesus

has been raised from the dead. I would have once said "When you are dead, you are dead." But I then started asking, "What changed the disciples?" And I couldn't come up with an answer, other than the one given. Jesus had been raised from the dead, and had met with them. That certainly wasn't the end of my faith journey, but it was the beginning. "I didn't believe it", but I do now, and Easter week is the most important week in the whole year, as far as I am concerned.

But, as well as Easter, there are two other events that I want to draw your attention to. On the 23rd. March, the Wednesday of Easter week, we are restarting our Coffee Mornings at 10.30am. and, once again, there will be Colouring Books for adults available. Come and enjoy the friendship and fellowship. Come if you are lonely, or if you are not. If you feel so inclined, come and tell me why I am wrong, or stupid, or misguided, to believe in the resurrection of Jesus.

But the other event that I want to draw your attention to, is the launch of our monthly Sunday Lunches. On the 10th April, being the second Sunday in April, my wife is going to cook a roast lunch that will be served at about 12.45 pm. You can come to the Morning Service if you wish and stay on for the lunch, or you can just come for the lunch. Whichever you choose. Last month, on Shrove Tuesday, I cooked about 45 pancakes for 22 people, and we had a great time together. I know my limitations, so I won't be cooking the meal, but Chris will. The only thing that we ask is that you let us know that you are coming before the previous Friday, so that Chris knows how many to cook for. There will be no charge for the meal, but there will be an opportunity for you to make a donation. This meal is for churchgoers and for those who don't, so everybody is welcome.

Hoping to hear from you, and/or see you in the coming weeks.

Every blessing.

Barry

Re-starting on Wednesday, $23^{\rm rd}$. March at 10.30 am Our Weekly Coffee Morning.

Good Friday, at 10.30 am, beginning at St.Edwards, the United Good Friday Service, followed by the Procession of Witness, and then the remainder of the Service at the Chapel.

Starting on Sunday, 10th April, our Monthly Sunday Lunch.

You will find the Chapel behind Y Jewellers in East Street, and our services are at 10.30am each Sunday. We are a small fellowship, but you will find a big welcome.

If you can't get to Church but would like to receive spiritual help, we have the Sermons and the Bible Studies on the Church Web site. Please make use of them if you wish.

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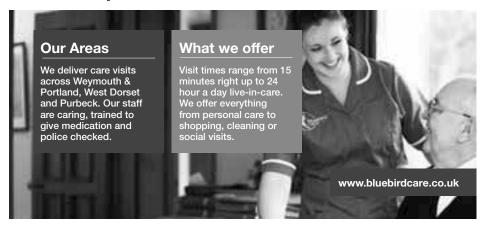
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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club

The Club's first meeting of the New Year at which its AGM took place was on the 4th February 2016.

This was well attended and Mrs Deborah Stoker our Treasurer presented the audited accounts for approval.

The Treasurer emphasised that speakers fees and costs were rising and although the Club is still able to charge a peppercorn membership fee most of its main income is realised from funding obtained by running open days and the sale of plants and produce at events run by both the Club and the Royal British Legion. The forthcoming years programme was also discussed and agreed

Following the formalities a light hearted and enjoyable quiz was chaired by Mr Michael Glover.

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Our next meeting will take place on the 3rd March 2016 at our usual venue, which is at 8.00pm in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Royal British Legion. Our guest speaker for the evening is Mr Dick Longstaffe whose subject is "Pest Control".

Michael emphasised that Dick is not a professional speaker but a 'hands on' practical person who knows a considerable amount about garden pests. It would be helpful if members came prepared with questions about the subject

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Our speaker for the **7th April 2016** will be **Neil Lovesey** so please ensure that you make a note of this in your diaries. SRG

Langton Arthouse Cinema

After our huge success showing "Moo Man" back in December 2014 we decided to run another film with a strongly agricultural flavour. So on Wednesday, April 2nd at 7.30pm in Langton Matravers' Village Hall we're screening "Shaun the Sheep"! This is the latest picture from the plasticine world of Aardman Animation's studios and, as you would expect from the people who brought us "The Wrong Trousers", quite charming. The plot, simply, has Shaun and his flock scour The Big City for their suddenly amnesiac farmer. Shaun's first screen appearance came in "A Close Shave" when Wallace and Gromit rescued him and his flock from being turned into dog food and since then he has gone on to be an international superstar. As in the TV series of the same name, the dialogue is nothing more than mutters, bleats, and the occasional woof. And again, like the TV show, it isn't a piece of long-form storytelling, but a runaway

steam-train of moments, each one self-contained but coupled to the rest, and barrelling forwards on collective crackpot momentum. The singers of Purbeck will love four sheep singing close-harmony a cappella in their "baa-baa-shop quartet". This is the kind of stuff that has been, and will be funny forever, and, whatever your age, make complete and hilarious sense.

Tickets will be £5 on the door which will open at 7.00pm. Glasses will be supplied should you wish to bring your own drink with you. If you want to be kept informed about future films you can add your name to the mailing list by emailing info@LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk or visit

www. LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk.

Chris Kwantes



Corfe Castle Community Library

Talk by Louise Haywood

on

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Please note the following **temporary changes** to the hours of service and venue offered in Wareham:

Citizens Advice, Mill Lane, Wareham – office closed from 21st December 2015 for building works until further notice.

From 7th January 2016, we will offer the following services:

From Not Just Sundaes in South Street, Wareham (opposite the library):

Mondays, 10.00 - 2.00 pm: drop-in and appointments.

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Self-help and email advice: www.purbeckadvice.org.uk

Services in Swanage Town Hall, The Hive at Bovington, Lytchett Minster Library and Upton Council Office and the Children's Centres remain unchanged:

The Hive, BOVINGTON	Tuesday	9.30 - 1.00
Town Hall, SWANAGE		
Gateway Interviews	Monday	10.15 - 2.00
Appointments only	Wednesday	10.15 - 2.00
	(Closed 1st Wed of each month for staff meeting.)	
Town Council Office, UPTON	Monday	9.15 - 12.30
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LYTCHETT MATRAVERS Library	2 nd and 4 th Tuesday	10.00 - 12.30

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Swanage Centre, Wednesday mornings	9.30 -12.30	01929 423589
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The Corfe Castle Town Trust

Good news for The Museum and Town Hall as they have just been awarded a grant from the **Dorset Museums Association** small grants scheme and been given £150 towards the printing costs of their new history booklet.

The Town and Borough of Corfe Castle. A walk around the village

It can be purchased at The Sweet Shop or The Village Stores for £2.50 or contact Louise on Tel: 481375 or louisehaywood.uk@btinternet.com

You may discover things you never knew about the village as you stroll around!

Wareham Choral Society:

Come and sing Stainer's Crucifixion

Saturday 5 March

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Jumble Sale in aid of the Wall of China Challenge

We are holding a traditional good old fashion jumble sale on the 12th March in Wareham Town Hall 10am till 12pm this is to raise funds for my Dad's trip to China in aid of Weldmar Hospice. We will have tea and coffee, cake stall, book stall, tombola, raffle and lots more. If it possible to put these in your calendar of events and if there is any charge please let me know on this email address or my phone number is 01305 853421.

Joy Allan

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Kingston concert

Three years after four Russian male vocalists thrilled a packed St James Church with their unaccompanied singing of Russian sacred and folk music, the Hermitage Ensemble from St Petersburg, as the group is called, is back.

On Thursday, March 31st, at 7.30pm the ensemble will present a second concert of Russian Sacred Hymns and Folk Songs in the church, perhaps adding their own inimitable interpretation of a Western song or two for good measure.

This time the group is five-strong, comprising, basso profundo Vladimir Pasyukov, lyric baritone Alexander Patyukov, alto tenor Vassily Timonin, and two tenors, one of whom, Vladimir Mostovoy, doubles as conductor.

Steeped in the Russian tradition, the individual singers bring to the ensemble their own particular strengths whether honed in the opera houses, concerthalls, cathedrals or churches of St Petersburg or, in the case of First Tenor Igor Shiryagin, in the Maryinsky Theatre itself..

Their primary aim is to maintain that unique national tradition of liturgical

singing firstly by researching, performing and preserving their rich musical heritage and secondly by making it more widely known and, on this tour, in particular to British audiences..

Admission to the concert will be free and interval refreshments will be served but there will be a retiring collection to help cover costs and preserve the Grade 1-listed St James Church, ensuring that the church, with its exceptional acoustic, stays open.

As if to preserve the delicate international balance, next month St James Church welcomes a vocal ensemble from the United States of America. Called Northern Harmony and based in Vermont, it will present a programme of harmony singing from around the world on Saturday, April 22, at 7pm. Robin Stringer



starring John Cusack, Paul Dano, Elizabeth Banks

In the '60s, Beach Boys leader Brian Wilson struggles with psychosis as he crafts his pop masterpiece. In the '80s, he is a broken man under the watch of shady therapist Eugene Landy.

Directed by Bill Pohlad (Certificate 12A)

Tuesday 8 March 2016 at 7.30pm



starring Natalie Wood, George Chakiris, Richard Beymer Two youngsters from rival New York City gangs fall in love, but tensions between their respective friends build toward tragedy.

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SATURDAY

- 3MM Society 1.00 5.00 (1st Saturday of each month)
- Sequence & Ballroom Dance 7.30 11.00 (4th Saturday of each Month) Contact Brian Hunt 01929 551332

Kimmeridge News

Broadband – The big news this month is that work has started on putting in the high speed broadband link for Kimmeridge and surrounding villages. After more than 10 years of campaigning and lobbying, the diggers were up on Smedmore Hill on the windiest and wettest day in February, digging the foundations for the 6m mast. This will be put up once the concrete base has cured. Once the power connection and the broadband equipment are put in place the system should be ready to go by Easter. Broadband signals will be beamed from Portland to our mast and can then be transmitted to users in the whole of the Kimmeridge valley and in the Corfe Valley. This will provide high speed broadband and VoIP telephone lines. Full details of the scheme will be coming round to residents soon! We are continuing to work with BT to try and improve the existing BT Openreach landlines; BT engineers have been working hard to improve the lines between Blackmanston and Kimmeridge, but the outstanding problems with the line between Corfe Castle and Blackmanston remain a stumbling block. For many users the availability of a VoIP telephone line over the broadband system will mean they can give up their BT landline.

Museum Building – Work proceeds apace with the Etches Collection building. The wooden structure is now complete, despite the gales in early February. Work is now proceeding with the electrical, heating and plumbing works inside the building. The borehole for the ground-source heat pump has also been drilled. The combination of the GSHP and the solar panels will make this a truly environmentally friendly building. At the moment the building looks rather stark with its wooden walls, but once the Purbeck Stone outer walls are in place it will blend in well with the rest of the village. The large numbers of contractors working on the building has caused parking issues at times and work is going on to try and find solutions to this; once again the very wet weather has limited the options for alternative parking sites. Despite the delays caused by the weather, it is still hoped that the Museum will be open by the end of August.

Playground – The final fencing work for the new playground in Kimmeridge was delayed by the wet weather; but this should be finished soon. We have enough money to start getting play equipment in place. This should be ready for the spring. After that we will need to keep up the fund-raising to buy more equipment as funds allow.

Rosie

We were sad to have to say goodbye to Rosie Morle, who has been in Stable Cottage for the last 18 months. Some of us had a farewell meal with her at the stew and dumpling night at Clavell's – the stews and dumplings were very good! Rosie has had to go back to London as her house there had not sold: we wish her all the best – who knows, she may end up back in this area when she eventually manages to leave London.

Kimmeridge Keilidh – On Friday 11th March we have a special party night to mark the final Kimmeridge Keilidh in the old village hall. We have invited all the callers who have worked with us over the last 4 years at Kimmeridge to do a couple of dances each. We also have a display from the Dorset Button Rapper Sword Dancers. To make it a special party people are asked to bring some finger-food to share as well as bringing drinks! As always, everyone is welcome and there is no need to book tickets – it could be crowded though – so get there early! Hopefully we will be back in the new hall in the autumn with its sprung dance floor! Over the last 4 years we have raised over £1300 for the new playground in Kimmeridge – I'll let you know the final total after 11th March.

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MARCH 8TH – LOVE AND MERCY (PG 13) In the late 1960s, the Beach Boys' Brian Wilson stops touring, produces "Pet Sounds" and begins to lose his grip on reality. By the 1980s, Wilson (John Cusack), under the sway of a controlling therapist, finds a saviour in Melinda Ledbetter......

MARCH 29TH – WEST SIDE STORY A musical in which a modern day Romeo and Juliet are involved in New York street gangs. On the harsh streets of the upper west side, two gangs battle for control of the turf. The situation becomes complicated when a gang members falls in love with a rival's sister. an American film from 1961 by Jerome Robbins and Robert Wisewith starstarring Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, Russ Tamblyn, Rita Moreno and George Chakiris

APRIL 12^{th} – SPECTRE (PG 13) Is this the worst Bond movie for 30 years or the best? You decide. Come along and make your mind up!

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7.30 p.m. Bring your own refreshments Admission free – charity donations welcomed.

ART EXHIBITION

Our Annual Art exhibition on Saturday 30th April all day; special preview night Friday 29th from 7.00 p.m. onwards, bar will be open.

"STALLS IN THE HALL" - (Saturday from 9.30am): COFFEE AND CAKE, CARDS AND CRAFTS – AND BRIC-A-BRAC!

March 12th Book now to avoid disappointment!

April 9^{th} – it's Railway Spring Steam Gala weekend – so come to our 'Stalls' event as well!

POST OFFICE – Every Thursday from 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.

GLEN AND BETTY'S DANCE NIGHT (old time and ballroom) - March 12th April 9th

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (7.30pm) - March 1st May 3rd

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS (Thu 10.30am to 12.00 noon) with COFFEE JUNCTION fortnightly - 25^{th} March 10^{th}

CHURCH SERVICES (6.00 p.m.) - March 27th

PURBECK U3A MONTHLY 'MEETING POINT' (9.00 a.m.) -

PURBECK U3A COMPUTER GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - March 4th 18th

PURBECK U3A MAH JONGG GROUP (1.00 p.m.) - 25th March 8th, 24th

PURBECK U3A WINE TASTING GROUP (from 6.00 p.m.) - March 21st April 18th

PURBECK U3A PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - March 15th April 19th **HARMANS CROSS COMMUNITY GROUP** - Drop-in meetings March 17th and April 21st 2.00 p.m.

WEEKLY EVENTS:

U3A French groups – Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9.00 a.m. Table Tennis group (U3A) Monday mornings from 9.00 a.m Pins & Needles – Monday afternoons from 2.00 p.m Art with Judy – Tuesday afternoons from 2.00 p.m. Life Drawing with Sue – most Thursday afternoons from 2.00 p.m Yoga with Cathy Monday and Thursday evenings from 6.00 p.m. Morning Yoga with Cathy – Tuesday mornings from 9.00 a.m Table Tennis with Joe – Wednesday evenings from 6.00

FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND HALL AVAILABILITY ON www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk CONTACT: DAVID HOLLISTER 480540





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We are holding a coffee morning in Corfe Castle Village Hall on **Saturday 26th March** in aid of Stand And Matter, a Non-Profit organisation fundraising for the four children of Samantha Henderson and also raising awareness of children affected by domestic violence.

There will be a Bric-a-Brac stall, a cake stall, a book stall and a clothes stall. We will also be running a Tombola with lots of prizes including a hamper.

There will be plenty for the children to do such as Easter crafts and decorating Easter biscuits.

Open from 10am until 1:30pm

We will be selling hot drinks, cakes and sandwiches. Donations and support will be most welcome on the day.

Karen Spooner 480378





MARCH OPENING HOURS

Open Tuesday to Sunday 10am to 5pm

For Breakfasts, Lunches, Cream Teas & Dinners THURSDAY NIGHT FISH & CHIPS. Buy 1 get 1 for £2.50 With this advert

> Mother's Day Special High Tea Sunday 6th March £12.95

Pie and Pint Night Saturday 12th March £9.95 per head

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Happy Easter from all at Margaret Green Animal Rescue

Join us for four days of fun over the Easter weekend.

Between Good Friday (25th March) and Easter Monday
(28th March), visitors to our rescue and rehoming centre
can take part in a fun trail and quiz. At the end, completed
trail sheets can be shown at reception in return for a
scrumptious chocolate egg. Entry to the centre is free and
to take part in the trail is £1 per person.

Opening hours are 10am until 4pm and onsite facilities include toilets and a tea room with Easter goodies! For more information, call 01929 480474 or visit our website.

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CORFE CASTLE CHARITY

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The Trustees will also consider applications for assistance in connection with the following:

- Education and Training
- Sickness and Disability
- Grants to organisations

For further information please contact:
The Clerk to the Trustees,
Mrs. Jenny Wilson,
The Spinney,
Springbrook Close,
Harmans Cross, BH20 5HS
Tel: 01929 480873

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When submitting an advertisement please send it to the editor at

corfevallynews@tiscali.co.uk

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	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months
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	Regular events in Corfe Castle & environs			
	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	
MONDAY				
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School	
Each	10.00-1 1.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close	
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close	
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House	
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall	
2 nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall	
TUESDAY				
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School	
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut	
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169	
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child Group	C C Village Hall	
Each	5pm – 6pm	Rainbows (term time)	C C Village Hall	
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall	
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall	
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall	
2_{nd}	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furze	
			brook VH; even	
			months CK VH	
WEDNESD	AY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School	
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169	
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall	
Each	6.30 - 9 pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall	
THURSDAY	Y			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School	
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School	
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House	
Each	6.00 - 8.00 pm	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169	
Each	6.30 - 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH	
Each	9.30 – 11.30 pm	Pottery Classes	Rachel 480455	
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall	
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	R.B.L. Club	
FRIDAY				
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School	
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Pottery Class Swanage	Rachel 480455	
Each	2 – 5 pm	Pottery Class	Sports Pav Rachel 480455	
SATURDAY	_			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall	

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